

## COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

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TO:

Commonwealth of Virginia Potassium Iodide (KI) Custodians

FROM:

Steven Harrison, MA, MEP, Director, Office of Radiological Health

RE:

Virginia KI Tablet Expiration Date Extension

The expiration date of the Commonwealth's THYROSAFE brand Potassium Iodide (KI) 65 mg tablets, distributed for administration to emergency workers, the public, or both due to a North Anna or Surry nuclear power station emergency necessitating their use, <u>has been extended to April 30</u>, <u>2022</u>, pursuant to 2007 guidance issued by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

This extension pertains to Virginia's KI tablets which are labeled as either Lot No. TU404A or Lot No. TU405A, and expire on April 30, 2020.

KI is a very stable compound and has been found to remain potent and useable for its intended purpose as a thyroid blocking agent when properly stored; that is, maintained between  $68^{\circ} - 77^{\circ}$  F and kept dry with the foil blister pack intact.

## \* Please keep a copy of this letter with your KI supplies and deployment kits. \*

<u>Caution</u>: If the KI blister pack has been inadvertently or intentionally opened, do not retain the KI for use in an emergency. Any visible moisture or moisture damage on the package may indicate that the recommended storage conditions were not maintained and the product should be discarded as normal waste (garbage).

Please contact the Office of Radiological Health at (804) 864-8150 if you have any questions about this matter.

Cc: Parham Jaberi, MD, MPH, Chief Deputy Commissioner, Public Health and Preparedness Robert P. Mauskapf, MPA, Director, Office of Emergency Preparedness Edward Porner, Virginia Department of Emergency Management Lynn Ramsey, Virginia State Police James E. Collins, Dominion Energy

